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# INDEPENDENCE DAY

Independence Day is a Holiday that is observed in each and every State in the Union, and celebrates the adoption on July 4th 1776, of the Declaration of Independence, which declared our separation from Great Britain. It was Richard Lee who proposed to Congress "That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States; that they are absolved from all allegience to the British Crown; and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be dissolved." John Adams seconded the motion, and Thomas Jefferson drew up the Declaration of Independence.

At the time of the adoption of the Declaration, John Adams wrote his wife a letter which reads like a prophecy: "I am apt to believe" he said, "that it (the day) will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, Sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to another, from this time forward, forever more."

With true patriotic fervor, Americans have thrown themselves into the celebration of this glorious event, and wherever they may be, few of them forget to hold festival in honor of the birthday of the Nation. There was a time, not very long ago, when children and many grown-ups too, thought the best way to mark the day was to make as much noise as possible with firecrackers, or even fire-arms. But these days are past, and the day is spent in ways that are more worthy of the Nation.

On this, the 190th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, take time out to re-read this famous document, which says in part:

> "We hold these truths to be self-evident: That all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

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After some research into the customs of celebrating the Fourth it has been discovered that for the first one hundred years, the people rang bells - Church bells, School bells, just a grand and glorious ringing of bells to give vent to the feeling of Freedom. This custom was revived in 1962 in some parts of the East, and is spreading across the Country till every State in the Union will ring bells at 2 P. M. Eastern Standard Time. The history of this custom may be found on Page 19 of the June issue of the Reader's Digest.

Listen for our Church Bell. Charley Nicklason will be on the working end of the rope. July Fourth, 11 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time.

## Listen for the Bells

From the Editor's Desk.

I was listening to a man tell of going up into the cockpit of a Military Plane, and talking to the Pilot, who had the controls set on Automatic Pilot.

The Automatic Pilot is more or less like our conscience. If the plane wavers from its set course, by means of a down draft, or some other whim of Nature, the Pilot sets it back on course.

Most of us need an Automatic Pilot. We set our sights and take aim, but winds of varying intensities swerve us from our goal. and too often we do not get back on course. Perhaps this is good at times, as we do not always have the vision to foresee the future. It is so easy to get side-tracked and not so easy to hold to our original plan. Be enthusiastic about everything that you do. Believe that, if you can maintain enthusiasm long enough, you will be able to do anything. Be sincere in everything that you do or say, for sincerity is the face of the soul. Be organized in your everyday activities.

We are prone to be easily influenced by the opinion of disinterested persons. We need to go into the hills, as Jesus did, and meditate, and let the clean air, unencumbered by the noise of everyday living help us to think, and to allow our Automatic Pilot set us on a true course again.

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WEDDING BELLS

Our Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Edward Anildson (Sandy Ogren) who were married in the Little Church on the Prairie last Saturday afternoon, with Pastor Grenville A. Dawn officiating. The bride was lovely in a gown of silk organza over taffeta. The couple are honeymooning in Hawaii, and their new home will be on Mercer Island.

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Mr and Mrs Frank Deck of Olympia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Frances Evelyn Deck to Michael Arthur Morgan, son of Mr and Mrs Mervyn Morgan, of 301 Brandywine, DuPont. A September wedding is planned in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lacey.

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Kay Ellison, daughter of Mr and Mrs Frank Ruff, of Tacoma, and Larry Gene Kelly, son of Mr and Mrs William Kelly of DuPont were married Thursday, June 9th at Parkside Church, before eighty relatives and friends. A reception was held in the Fireside Room in Lakewood.

"Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be." Abraham Lincoln.

The Pastor Ponders
by Grenville A. Dawn.

"Hello, Good Looking!" is a time worn casual greeting. It can be spoken in a teasing manner, as a pleasantry, as a colloquial compliment, or it may reflect a self-conscious hyper-concern with outward appearance.

Physical beauty is one of the goals toward which many seem to be striving. The proportion of time spent in personal grooming, selection of a wardrobe, even in choosing a helpful (slimming) diet suggests that we may be too pre-occupied with ourselves.

There once was a man whose personal appearance was out-standing. However he didn't know it. (Read Exodus 34:29.) We may be sure that Moses did not try to have facial radiance. The glow was not of his own choosing or effort. It was the result of the kind of life he lived. He has been called the friend of God for he spent much time with Him.

If we would spend one-quarter of the time some spend in daily grooming in the worship of God the result would be obvious. We would grow spiritually. We would know we are children of God, and too, we might gain a comeliness that no kind of physical grooming could dull or improve.

I agree with the old proverb, "Beauty (physical) is only skin deep!" Do you?

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Steilacoom Plans Celebration

Plans for a fifth annual Fourth of July celebration in Steilacoom were announced by William C. Thompson Jr. Post #3053 Veterans of Foreign Wars.

A full day's activities, including a carnival, barbecue, dancing and fireworks, will await visitors, starting as 11 A. M.

The museum of Historical pictures in the Steilacoom Town Hall will be open. Visitors may take ferry rides to nearby islands.

A barbecue is planned for the afternoon by the Oberlin Church Men's Club. A dance under the sponsorship of the Steilacoom PTA will begin at 9 P.M. in the Town Hall, The fireworks display is to be set off at Saltar's Point.

The VFW Post will operate a fireworks stand from June 28 to July 6 at Union and Martin Sts.

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Many of us are like wheelbarrows; only useful when pushed, and so easily upset.

Visitors in Town.

Mr and Mrs Fred Jafrati have had as their housequests Mr and Mrs Harlan Richards from Kansas. The Richards are Ruth Jafrati's parents.

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Mrs Minnie Karnes of Libby Montana, has been spending a couple of weeks here visiting her son Kenneth and his family. She will be going back this week.

Lois Karnes, recently graduated from Laughbon High, is now in Hawaii with her sister Peggy. She will be attending the University of Hawaii this fall.

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Former parishioners of Pastor Daun, Mr and Mrs Jerry (Jackie) Streifel and daughters from Riverside, California, visited with the Dauns for two days last week.

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Mr and Mrs Charl Brockley, from Salt Lake City have been visiting with their son and family, Mr and Mrs Rodney Brockley of 502 DuPont Ave. They were in town a week and have now moved to McCleary, where Mr. Brockley will be engaged in the carpenter trade.

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Mr and Mrs Robert Buck from Greeley Colorado spent a week with his parents, Mr and Mrs Lisle Buck of 408 Louviers. While here they attended a family dinner for 22 relatives at his brother Donald's home in Tacoma, took a trip to the Mountain and saw Don's son Douglas graduate from High School. Douglas will be going to the University in Seattle this fall.

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Former DuPonter Says So-Long.

Former DuPonters, Sgt and Mrs Charles Ryan will be leaving Fort Lewis for Sarasota, Florida on June 30th. Sgt Ryan is retiring after 20 years of service. They wish to be remembered to all of their friends in DuPont, and they extend an invitation for anyone coming down Florida way to visit them. Good luck, Chuck and Hilde.

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Capt and Mrs Gordon Goldsmith have closed their Hospitality House on Gravelly Lake Drive, and have invested in the Lakewood Norge Dry Cleaners at Lakewood's Colonial Center, across from the Country Store. Your patronage is invited.

MOVED TO BUCODA

Mr and Mrs Bert Locke have sold their property at Nisqually, and have moved to Bucoda. Mrs Locke was Secretary of the DuPont School Board, and also of the Women's Association of the Local Church. She will be missed.

Birthday Luncheon.

You have heard of the "Lovely Luncheon, with delicious food, and 'a good time was had by all'". That was the situation at a luncheon given by Mrs M.A.Morgan at her home, 301 Brandywine, on June 10th in honor of three birthdays: Mrs Mildred Grant, Mrs Jessie Manley, and Mrs Morgan's mother, Mrs Ethel Lumsdon.

There were twelve present: Mesdames Lumsdon, Manley, Grant, Iola LaCaille, Sara Foreman, Veta Buck, Martha Jecklin, Vera Reay, Ollie Withrow, Zelma Trimble, May Munyan and the Hostess.

Much of the afternoon was spent in reminiscing about some hilarious events that happened in DuPont many years ago.

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ON THE SICK LIST.

Add the names of Alan McCulloch and Mike Smith to the growing list of mump victims. So beware; if your child complains of fever or difficulty in eating it might be wise to suspect the mumps.

Vacation in Oregon.

Mr and Mrs Bert Wyant, and sons Steve and David have returned from an enjoyable visit in Williams, Oregon. They spent four days with friends and relatives.

Welcome to Newcomers.

We wish a welcome to the new residents of 701 Penniman St., CWO and Mrs. Frank Keeser and their three daughters and two sons. The family plans to stay in DuPont while CWO Keeser is on overseas duty.

Editor Celebrates Birthday.

May Munyan was the guest of honor at the home of her daughter, Mrs Edith Wiecking of Fircrest, in celebration of her birthday, Tuesday, June 21. Guests helping May celebrate were Mesdames Sara Foreman, Zelma Trimble, Ethel Lumsdon, Pola Andre, Verna Minugh, Marie Bonner, Elma Johnston, and Beverly Wiecking. Two tiny celebrants were May's great-grandchildren, Shannon and Todd Wiecking, ages one and almost three. Little Todd put on a "one-man" Robot show for his Greatgrandmother which brought gales of laughter from the guests. Happy Birthday, May, and continued success.

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The light standards along Barksdale Ave. have been painted. They were given a coat of red lead, and two coats of gray paint. We liked the red, and hoped they would stay that way. Looked sort of 1890ish.

### Injured While Surfing.

Lanny Nelson, son of Mr and Mrs Leonard Nelson, 500 DuPont Ave. was injured while on vacation in Hawaii. Lanny and his wife Karen, had just been in the Island three days when he suffered a broken neck while surfing. He will be confined to Queens Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaii for at least six weeks.

### Garden Show.

The Lakewood League of Garden Clubs will hold its fourth annual Flower Show at the Villa Plaza Parking area from Friday July 1 to July 3, hours are 1;30 to 9.00 P.M. The public is invited to participate in all divisions. Mrs Myron Smith, Ju4-0663 is Chairman of the Entry Committee, and she will gladly give any help needed. She has scheaules available with information of the rules and regulations. Entries will be received at the show site, Thursday June 30th 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. Friday from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M. Mrs Hans Schinnell will be doing a table decoration as representative of the DuPont Garden Club. This is a very special honor as tables are done only by invitation. There will be men's junior, amateur, novice and advanced amateur divisions in the many sections.

Nancy wishes to remind the DuPont Club members that she will need help Thursday evening and Friday morning, so get in touch with her.

Gertrude Schinnell wishes to borrow four metal enameled cups and plates for her table setting. Please call her if you know where they can be found. Ju 4-1058

### GIRL SCOUT NEWS.

The annual "sleep-out" of the Girl Scouts was held June 17 in the basement of the Church. After a night of little or no sleep, caused by the reported hooting of owls, and with much chatter and screeching, they arose at 6;30 A.M. and prepared breakfast for their fathers and proxy fathers. A menu of ham, eggs, flapjacks, coffee and milk was served to the eleven guests and eight girls.

A Court of Awards will be held during the summer, the date to be announced in a later issue. All Girl Scouts are reminded to contact Mrs Smith so that she may order the necessary awards.

Mrs Frank Keeser and Mrs Myron Smith attended the Girl Scout Tea given by Mrs. Arthur S. Collins at her quarters in Fort Lewis, Friday June 24. Mrs Keeser is the district Brownie Leader, and Mrs Smith the local Girl Scout Leader.

### Vacation Bible Class

The combined DuPont-Tillicum Vacation Bible School, with an enrollment ofseventy, will conclude their session this Friday evening at 7;30 by presenting a program for their parents and friends in the Tillicum Church. Visitors are welcome. Sixteen of these children are from DuPont.

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### GRAND-DAUGHTER IN BALLET

Mr and Mrs Walter Ross recently attended a performance of their Grand-daughter Patrice Whited, in a lead role of a Children's Theatre play presented by Olympia's Junior Programs for 3,500 Thurston County school children.

Pat, an Olympia High Junior, is the proud recipient of a summer scholarship to the San Francisco Ballet School. Harold Christensen, director of the California School, offered Pat the scholarship after he saw her in a class at a Tacoma Studio. Pat is an advanced ballet student of Jan Collum and participated in the Regional Ballet Festival in Sacramento in May. She is the daughter of Kathryn Ross Neely.

### SYNOD MEETING.

The 77th meeting of the Synod of Washington-Alaska began last Monday, June 20. The Sessions were held on Campus of Whitworth College in Spokane. Elder Kenneth Karnes and Pastor Grenville A. Dawn were elected to be delegates by the Presbytery of Olympia. Mr Dawn also served as Synod Organist.

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Wanted to borrow; 4 enameled metal cups and plates, preferably bright colored. Call Gertrude Schinnell Ju 4-1058

Found: One (1) lens from a pair of glasses in the alley at 604 DuPont. Call Larry Balcerak, Ju4-0407.

Wanted; Fruit jars. Nancy Smith Ju4-0663.

For Sale; Hoover Washing Machine with suds saver. Used about 20 times. $145.00
Also 21 inch CBS TV Console - Swivel with remote control attachment. $50.00
Maud Bowden Ju 4-1904

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